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- (f) At the lottery, each operator must make its selection within 5 minutes after being called or it shall lose its turn. If capacity still remains after each operator has had an opportunity to select slots, the allocation sequence will be repeated in the same order. An operator may select any two slots available at the airport during each sequence, except that new entrant carriers may select four slots, if available, in the first sequence.
- (g) To select slots during a slot lottery session, a carrier must have appropriate economic authority for scheduled passenger service under Title IV of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958, as amended (49 U.S.C. App. 1371 et seq.), and must hold FAA operating authority under part 121 or part 135 of this chapter as appropriate for the slots the operator seeks to select.
- (h) During the first selection sequence. 25 percent of the slots available but no less than two slots shall be reserved for selection by new entrant carriers. If new entrant carriers do not select all of the slots set aside for new entrant carriers, limited incumbent carriers may select the remaining slots. If every participating new entrant carrier and limited incumbent carrier has ceased selection of available slots or has obtained 12 slots at that airport, other incumbent carriers may participate in selecting the remaining slots; however, slots selected by non-limited incumbent carriers will be allocated only until the date of the next lottery.
- (i) Slots obtained under this section shall retain their withdrawal priority as established under §93.223. If the slot is newly created, a withdrawal priority shall be assigned. That priority number shall be higher than any other slot assigned a withdrawal number previously.

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§ 93.226 Allocation of slots in low-demand periods.

(a) If there are available slots in the following time periods and there are no

pending requests for international or EAS operations at these times, FAA will allocate slots upon request on a first-come, first-served basis, as set forth in this section:

- (1) Any period for which a slot is available less than 5 days per week.
- (2) Any time period for which a slot is available for less than a full season.
- (3) For LaGuardia and Washington National Airports:
 - (i) 6:00 a.m.-6:59 a.m.
 - (ii) 10:00 p.m.-midnight.
- (b) Slots will be allocated only to operators with the economic and operating authority and aircraft required to use the slots.
- (c) Requests for allocations under this section shall be submitted in writing to the address listed in §93.221(a)(1) and shall identify the request as made under this section.
- (d) The FAA may deny requests made under this section after a determination that all remaining slots in a particular category should be distributed by lottery.
- (e) Slots may be allocated on a seasonal or temporary basis under this provision.

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§93.227 Slot use and loss.

- (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (g), and (l) of this section, any slot not utilized 80 percent of the time over a 2-month period shall be recalled by the FAA.
- (b) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to slots obtained under §93.225 of this part during:
- (1) The first 90 days after they are allocated to a new entrant carrier; or
- (2) The first 60 days after they are allocated to a limited incumbent or other incumbent carrier.
- (c) Paragraph (a) of this section does not apply to slots of an operator forced by a strike to cease operations using those slots.
- (d) In the case of a carrier that files for protection under the Federal bankruptcy laws and has not received a Notice of Withdrawal from the FAA for the subject slot or slots, paragraph (a) of this section does not apply:
- (1) During a period after the initial petition in bankruptcy, to any slot held or operated by that carrier, for: